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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

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- a. Previously submitted
 - Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR §1.116 previously i. filed on **.
 - (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered.) ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief
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 - iii. 🗅 Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iv. 🚨 Other
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